

Save the Date: Wed. 3/6

EPA Proposes Harbor Cleanup Plan Changes

Come Hear about the Proposal & Make Comments

Informational Meeting 6:30PM - 7:30PM

Public Hearing 7:30PM - 9PM

New Bedford Free Public Library, 613 Pleasant Street, New Bedford

EPA's proposal calls for eliminating the construction of a 17-acre confined disposal facility in the harbor's north terminal port area and disposing its PCB-contaminated sediment off-site instead. The proposal is based mainly on six reasons:

1. Constructing a confined disposal facility at the north terminal port area poses difficult and costly engineering challenges;
2. Off-site disposal avoids the possibility, due to potential budget uncertainties, of having a partially completed & unusable confined disposal facility amidst a working water front;
3. Only 2 acres instead of 17 acres of New Bedford Harbor would need to be filled to support the transportation options for off-site disposal and a bulkhead for dewatering activities;
4. Structures needed for off-site disposal have less adverse impacts on neighboring businesses than a confined disposal facility;
5. Off-site disposal structures would be more easily reused once the cleanup is complete;
6. Off-site disposal is estimated to be slightly less expensive;

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A 30-day public comment period will close 3/26/02

Formal comments can be made during the 3/6 public hearing, in writing, or by e-mail.

Written comments should be sent postmarked by 3/26/02 to:

Dave Dickerson, U.S. EPA, One Congress Street, Suite 1100 (HBO), Boston, MA 02114

E-mail comments should be sent by 3/26/02 to: Comments.NBH@EPA.GOV



If you have any special needs, call prior to the 3/6 meeting or if you have questions, Call Stacy Greendlinger - Toll Free 1-888-372-7341

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